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SUBJECT: TUNIS COMMERCIAL OFFICERS CONFERENCE

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1. WITH THE CONTINUED DISRUPTION OF BEIRUT AS A REGIONAL OPERATINGHEADQUARTERS FOR MANY US FIRMS AND THE INCREASING NUMBER OF US FIRMS RELOCATING TO ATHENS, THE COMMERCIAL SECTION EMBASSY ATHENS HAS BECOME MORE INVOLVED WITH THE MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA. AS A RESULT, THERE HAS BEEN A MARKED INCREASE IN WORK LOAD WITH NEW US FIRMS ESPECIALLY IN MATTERS RELATING TO FIRMS ESTABLISHING THEMSELVVES IN GREECE UNDER GREEK LAW 89

2. RTDO BELIEVES AND EMBASSY CONCURS THAT IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR ONE COMMERCIAL OFFICER FROM EMBASSY ATHENS TO ATTEND TUNIS CONFERENCE TO BECOME INFORMED ON THE ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH U.S. BUSINESS FIRMS WITH INTERESTS IN THE MID EAST OPERATE. SUCH INFORMATION REQUIRED IN ORDER TO ENABLE EMBASSY OFFICERS TO COUNCEL US FIRMS ON RELOCATION TO ATHENS, AS WELL AS TO BACKSTOP RTDO OPERATION DURING TRAVEL OF RTDO PERSONNEL OUTSIDE GREECE

3. PLEASE ADVISE.
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